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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, ZA, US

SUBJ: SOGHOIAN ARREST

REF: STATE 172005, 172355, 172623, 172624, 172645

1. CONCUR FULLY THAT FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL TO GOVT AND NOW MINDEFENCE MILNER IS APPROPRIATE GRZ OFFICIAL TO WHOM WE SHOULD ADDRESS OURSELVES IN FIRST INSTANCE REGARDING SOGHOIAN ARREST. HAVE ATTEMPTED ALL DAY CONTACT MILNER BUT HE FULLY OCCUPIED THIS MORNING WITH TAKING OVER REINS OF DEFENSE MINISTRY FROM EX-MINISTER ZULU AND THIS AFTERNOON WITH PARLIAMENTARY SESSION.

2. MATTER MUST OF COURSE BE HANDLED AS DISCREETLY AS POSSIBLE. INTERNAL POLITICS OF AFFAIR MAY BE QUITE SENSITIVE, PARTICULARLY IF ANYONE OF INFLUENCE IN GRZ SEEKING UNDERMINE MILNER, WHO APPEARS BE OFFICIAL PRINCIPALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR SOGHOIAN PROJECT.

3. WITH REGARD TO SOGHOIAN ASSERTION HE HAD LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR AUTHORIZING HIM BRING TWO ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE DEVICES TO US FROM ZAMBIA FOR REPAIR, CONFIRM NEITHER AMBASSADOR NOR ANY OTHER EMBOFF PROVIDED SUCH LETTER. IN FACT NO MEMBER OF CURRENT EMBASSY STAFF HAS HAD EITHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTACT OF ANY KIND WITH SOGHOIAN. EMBASSY RECORD SUGGESTS LATEST
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SOGHOIAN CONTACT WITH EMBASSY WAS AT LEAST SEVERAL MONTHS PRIOR

TO FEBRUARY 1971.

4. ARREST NOT YET COVERED BY LOCAL MEDIA AND NOT LIKELY TO BE.NELSON

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